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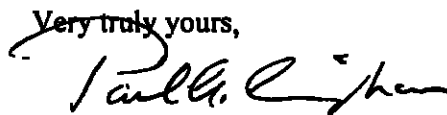
The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Office of the Secretary
395 E Street, S W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**Re: Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Trunk Corporation –
Control – EJ&E West Company (STB Finance Docket No. 35087)**

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are statements by 1) Glendale Heights Chamber of Commerce, 2) United Business Association of Midway, and 3) Wheeling/Prospect Heights Area Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in support of the transaction proposed in the Railroad Control Application (CN-2, filed October 30, 2007). We understand that the parties are mailing their signed originals directly to the Board

Very truly yours,



Paul A. Cunningham
Counsel for Canadian National Railway Company
and Grand Trunk Corporation

Enclosure

cc. All parties of record

GLENDALE HEIGHTS
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

February 19, 2008

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

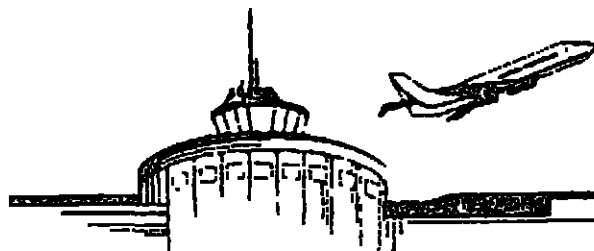
I am reaching out to you today on behalf of the Glendale Heights Chamber of Commerce, in the hopes you will consider our position in support of Canadian National Railroad's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company.

While we understand that there are many sides to this issue, and that re-routing trains away from the congestion of the city will have an impact on communities across the region, we strongly believe the positive impact and associated benefits will far outweigh any costs.

Specifically, from this acquisition we expect measurable improvements to the business climate in Glendale Heights as well as to passenger and commuter services for our residents.

Change like this is never easy, but I believe that this acquisition is an important one for our community and the region. On behalf of the Glendale Heights Chamber of Commerce, I urge you to please help position our region for the future by supporting Canadian National Railroad's proposal.

Edward Strangeway
President
Glendale Heights Chamber of Commerce



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Mr. Vernon Williams
 Secretary
 Surface Transportation Board
 395 E Street, SW
 Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Finance Docket No. 35087

Dear Mr. Williams:

I write today in support of Canadian National Railroad's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company. This acquisition will play an important role in strengthening our business community at a critical time, and on behalf of the United Business Association of Midway, I urge you to please consider our support of this proposal.

Railway congestion in the Chicago area has been such a daunting challenge for so long that many people assume it will *always* be a challenge, that gridlock is inevitable; that goods and services are destined to move slowly through the region.

I think we can do better. Canadian National Railroad has a plan to restructure rail traffic flow for the better and revitalize our region's business opportunities.

Right now, it can take a freight train more than 24 hours to go from Howard Street on the north side of Chicago to 127th Street on the south side. As CN trains reroute from the existing Chicago terminal network onto the EJE, line capacity in greater Chicago will be freed up to ease congestion, benefiting other rail users.

Here on the southwest side of Chicago, we have borne the brunt of freight traffic and are all too familiar with idling trains and unnecessary delays at crossings. This plan deserves very real consideration moving forward, as the streamlining of rail operations will bring economic, environmental and public-safety benefits to the entire region.

I urge you to please support Canadian National Railroad's acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Anita M. Cummings



February 27, 2008

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S W.
Washington, D C. 20423-0001

Re. Finance Docket No 35087

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Wheeling/Prospect Heights Area Chamber of Commerce and Industry, I am writing to voice our support for Canadian National Railroad's proposed acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company.

One of the current concerns of the Wheeling/Prospect Heights community and a topic of some discussion lately with our municipal politicians is the traffic and transportation issues that we are facing on a daily basis. While we understand that the Chicago metropolitan area is a major transportation hub for many goods and services passing through or arriving in the Midwest, we must consider the toll it takes on our residents and workforce employees that face the continuing rise in the amount of rail traffic in our area.

CN's acquisition of E J & E seems to be a wise step towards streamlining rail operations and improving economic and public safety benefits in the region.

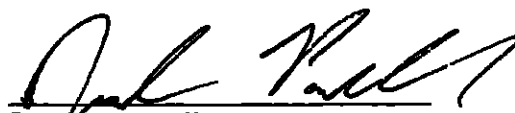
We firmly believe this acquisition is in the best interests of the businesses and residents of the Wheeling and Prospect Heights area, as well as the entire region, and urge you to support the proposal.

Sincerely,

Cathy M. Powers
Executive Director
WPH Chamber of Commerce & Industry

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this 13th day of March, 2008, served copies of the foregoing letter, transmitting the statements of Glendale Heights Chamber of Commerce, United Business Association of Midway, and Wheeling/Prospect Heights Area Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CN-28), upon all known parties of record in this proceeding by first-class mail or a more expeditious method.


Jared H. Powell